

Calhoun County Veterans Affairs Committee Meeting

Minutes: July 12, 2017

Veterans Affairs Committee meeting called to order by Veterans Affairs Committee Chairman, Sam Gray at 2:31PM.

Pledge of Allegiance / Moment of Silence

Roll-Call of Committee Members:

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| • Chairman | Sam Gray | Present |
| • Vice-Chairman | George “Rob” Beam | Present |
| • Secretary | Trena Philo | Present |
| • Committee Member | Charles Baker | Excused Absence |
| • Committee Member | Ronald Cady | Present |

Calhoun County Veterans Affairs Office Staff:

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| • Director | Aaron Edlefson | Present |
| • Service Officer | Kristina S. Higgins | Present |
| • Service Officer | M. Luann Cape | Present |
| • Administrative Assistant | Heidi Case | Present |

Calhoun County Administration:

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| • Finance Director | Michele Johnson | Present |
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Agenda Changes: None.

Citizens Time: None.

Correspondence: None.

VRF Monthly Budget: Director Edlefson presented the year-to-date budget for the Veterans Relief Fund and the projections for the remainder of the year.

Veteran's Relief Fund Applications:

17-73 Appeal

Rent: \$630.01

Utilities: \$36.32

Decision: Denied

17-79 Appeal

Rent: \$860.00

Decision: Denied

17-78 Appeal

Land Contract: \$2500.00

Consumers: \$229.49

Water/Garbage: \$117.88

Verizon (cell): \$755.40

ADT Security: \$60.98

Car Payment: \$370.32

Plate Renewal: \$114.00

Decision: Denied

17-81 Applicant

Rent: \$991.44

AT&T (cell): \$429.40

Decision: Denied

17-83 Applicant

Rent: \$1187.93

Decision: Denied

17-84 Applicant

Rent: \$1910.00

Decision: Partial approval \$1470.00

17-85 Applicant

Rent: \$557.00

Decision: Denied

17-86 Applicant

Rent: \$450.00

Consumers: \$74.75

Decision: Approved

17-88 Applicant

Rent: \$2509.47

Decision: Approved

17-89 Applicant

Rent: \$510.00

Decision: Denied

Administrative Update:

- Director Edlefson introduced the new Senior Services Manager, Helen Guzzo. Ms. Guzzo discussed some of the programs of the department and provided information on upcoming senior events.
- Director Edlefson presented the Budget Performance Report.
- Ms. Johnson discussed the status of the fund balance.

Minutes from June 14, 2017: Ms. Philo motioned to accept the minutes as given. Mr. Beam seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion approved.

Old Business:

- Director Edlefson presented the Calhoun County Veterans Affairs Scholarship fund including a breakdown based on tuition rates. Discussion ensued. The committee proceeded with a motion. Ms. Philo motioned to accept the proposed scholarship of \$50,000 for the 2018 budget, with the understanding that they have more planning and communicating to determine the amounts that will be allocated to the three colleges. Mr. Cady seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion approved.

New Business: None.

Good of the Committee:

- Mr. Gray mentioned the Leilapalooza, Saturday, July 29th from 10:30AM – 11:59PM at the Leila Arboretum.
- Mr. Gray mentioned Beat in the Creek, Saturday, July 15th from 4:00PM – 9:00PM at the Leila Arboretum.
- Ms. Guzzo mentioned Veterans Day at the Calhoun County Fair, Wednesday, August 16th from 9:00AM – 1:00PM.
- Service Officer Higgins and Cape discussed their NAVSCO Conference they attended in June for their annual training.

Adjournment: Mr. Cady made a motion to adjourn, Ms. Philo seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed. Meeting adjourned 4:12PM.

Sam Gray, Chairman
Calhoun County Veterans' Affairs Committee

Aaron D. Edlefson, Director
Calhoun County Veterans' Affairs